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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

We would like to wish all villagers and readers a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Please note that this edition of Parish News covers December and January. Deadlines for the February issue can be found on page 17.

Parish News Committee

Poppy Appeal

The collection tins at Kings Stores and Mill House Garage for this year's poppy appeal have raised £343.51. Many thanks to all of you for your generosity!

Christine Wilby

Thank You

We are very grateful to the sponsor of this month's issue. If you would be interested in sponsoring an issue of *Parish News* or advertising in the magazine, please contact Mary Dowson on 01953 860320 or email mdowson@btinternet.com.

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Hair of the Dog Walk

Once again, the essential first event of the village's New Year will take place on 1st January. We think this will be the 26th walk. A cheerful crowd of walkers, their children, dogs and house guests gather at the Market Cross at 11am.

After a glass of 'the hair of the dog' and New Year greetings we then go on one of two guided walks. One will be around the castle and common, the other will explore the footpaths south of the village. We will walk come rain or shine, so please dress appropriately.

We hope to see you at this traditional event and especially welcome newcomers to the village.

Charles Oxley

New Buckenham Society



Calling All Villagers!

We have exciting news. We are hoping to create a garden for the children in the village next to the Village Hall. We hope we can involve them in planting and looking after the wildlife. There are lots of other exciting things planned too – if we can get funding! Our application is in, so fingers crossed they say yes!

To start this new venture, we need to prepare the ground. We are looking for volunteers to come and help on Saturday 10th December at 10am. Meet us by the Rowan tree at the Village Hall, just to the left of the road as you drive in. Please bring wheelbarrows, spades, gloves and forks! All welcome, including children. We will supply refreshments.

We really hope you can make it. This garden will make a huge difference not only to the children, but to everyone in this village. It will be beautiful and something we can all be proud of.

Mandy Hartley

New Buckenham CAN

Strike up the Band!

New Buckenham Silver Band played its first ever performance at Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee celebrations on 21st June 1887. In June 2022 the band was proudly able to perform at the Late Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee celebrations held at Bunwell Church. This is an astonishing 135-year span that has seen the band perform extensively at local fetes, shows, church events and provide music to the community on many other occasions.

Like many other organisations the band struggled through the months of enforced separation and lockdown due to the COVID pandemic. With the easing of restrictions and a return to something more like normality, we are delighted to be "back in business" and to be back rehearsing under the baton of a new Musical Director with ambitions to develop and grow the band and its presence in the area.

Key to our plans is growing the band membership, so we are actively on the look out for anyone who would like to join an ambitious – but extremely friendly – brass band with an excellent supply of instruments available, an extensive music library and an outstanding Musical Director.

We will be busy in the area during December with the following performances:

- Wynterfest in Wymondham on 4th December
- Wymondham Abbey on 11th December
- Morrisons Wymondham store on 17th December
- Christmas carols in the pub at The Fox and Hounds (Great Moulton) on 23rd December

Also, if you are in the area, we are holding an open rehearsal on 1st December in New Buckenham Church, 8pm start!

If the idea of joining us to make great music available to our community appeals, please give me a call.

Barry Rose

Chair – New Buckenham Silver Band 07928 096 932

Carols on the Green

There will be a lantern procession from St Martin's Church on Tuesday 20th December at 5:45pm to the Market Cross for carols around the Christmas tree.

Mulled wine, sausage rolls and mince pies, music, laughter and togetherness.

Santa will be visiting us, come and enjoy our wonderful Christmas tradition in New Buckenham.

With thanks to John at the Banham Butchers for his kind donations.

Fiona Gallimore

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News from the Pews: Review of the Year

FROM THE CHURCHWARDEN: A huge thank you to the merry band of volunteers who gave up their time to clear the nettles and debris from the end of the Rose Garden, cut back the ivy which was threatening the flint walls and banish the saplings that were doing the same. The nettle area had become something of an eyesore, because not only were they as high as an elephant's eye, but it had been used to dump all manner of pipes, bricks and other debris over the years. A particularly big thank you to Andrew Bingham who organised the clearing party. Their only payment for all the hard work was a bacon roll, coffee and biscuits! We are immensely grateful to you all. We will now be looking where best to build a purpose-built compost bin for grass cuttings, etc. from the churchyard.

As we come to the end of another year, it's the time to also thank everyone who keeps the Church looking in good order, so here is our roll of honour: Margaret Ward, ably assisted by Barbara Cattermole, does the wonderful fresh flower arrangements every week. This year George Burrows, our organist, kindly donated no end of dahlias from his garden. Keeping the Church clean is a little like painting the Forth Bridge! Fi Gallimore and Jimpy battle the spiders' webs, bat poo and dust each week. (If you could spare an hour on a Friday to help the fight, they'd love to hear from you!) To our "Flag Master", Nigel Lond -Caulk, who takes down and hoists all the flags, we salute you. You will have noticed that the rickety steps and handrail to the cremation memorials have been replaced, thanks to the Parish Council and Don Crossman's skills. And lastly, but by no means least and because she can't thank herself, Susie in her role as Verger and who, with Kathie Steel, keeps the book stall in order.

Thank you, too, to Village & Vestry, who had organised fundraising

activities, only to be thwarted by events beyond their control.

Our final thanks go to the Fundraisers and Tony Lister, for their donations as a result of all their hard work organising major village events and recycling collections. The funds they donate to us are invaluable.

Thank you all for helping to keep this important village building going.

BOOKS: We are very grateful to all who have donated and bought books, but please, no more non-fiction (history, travel, food, biography, dictionaries, reference....). We have just had to dispose of a huge pile of these that we just can't sell. Fiction only please – that basically means novels. Thank you!

EXTRA COFFEEMATES!: Saturday 3rd December, 10:30am in the Church, with all the usual goodies, and cards from Flamingo Paperie. We are raising funds for Norwich Open Christmas which provides food and company for the homeless or lonely on Christmas Day.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES: Our candlelit Nine Readings and Carols is at 6:30pm on Sunday 11th December, with the choir, readers from village organisations, and decorations and refreshments by V&V. Christmas Eve Communion is at 9:30pm Saturday 24th December, with our new priest, Rev Sarah Walsh, and Christmas Day sees the well-loved crib service at 11am, short, sweet and lot of fun!

We wish you all a beautiful, blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy new year.

Susan Hilton-Jowett (AWA) 860929 Louise Casson (Churchwarden) 860191

New Buckenham Parish Council

Updates from our last meeting

The meeting was attended by a group led by Sue Felton, who have joined together to look at speeding in the village. If you would like further information about the group, please contact Sue (susan_felton@ hotmail.co.uk / 01953 861398), who will be delighted to hear from you. The Parish Council also continues to look at this problem and has submitted initial plans to Norfolk Highways for a gateway as you enter the village from Norwich. This will give the impression that the road is narrowing, even though it isn't, and will hopefully encourage drivers to proceed with caution as they approach the village.

Concerns were again expressed about dogs being allowed to run free playing with toys and chasing balls in the cemetery, particularly when there are many other places to exercise dogs in and around the village. The Parish Council would prefer it if there were no dogs in the cemetery but, if you do have to take them in, please keep them on a lead and show suitable respect for the area. Thank you. As always, I would like to say that the majority of dog owners in the village are extremely responsible, and we are only addressing one or two people.

The Parish Council is currently tendering for our ground maintenance contract for 2023/24. The schedule of works to be completed is available on our website (www.newbuckenhampc.info) under the Meetings Section - Agenda for 8th November. For any further information, please contact myself or our clerk, Angela Thornton, to whom the completed schedule of works should be returned. (Contact details on page 18 in this edition of Parish News)

Date of next meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th December at 7:30pm in the Large Meeting Room at the Village Hall. A warm welcome is extended to all parishioners. After the business of the meeting is concluded, there will be an opportunity to join us for seasonal drinks and nibbles.

If you are unable to join us on 13th December, may I, on behalf of the Parish Council, wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Dates for 2023

All meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Village Hall:

- 10th January
- 14th February
- 14th March
- 11th April
- 9th May
- 13th June
- 11th July
- 12th September
- 10th October
- 14th November
- 12th December

The Parish Council does not meet in August.

Karen Hobley - Chair 01953 860529 / karenhobley@hotmail.com

Christmas Wishes

Christmas greetings to friends and neighbours.

Gill Goodwin and Tony Cardy

Winter Warmer Café

Starting Wednesday 4th January 2023, 1:00pm until 3:00pm, you will find a warm welcome at the weekly winter warmer café at New Buckenham Village Hall.

Juliet Fulford

Good Companions

The meeting held on Thursday 17th November was attended by 22 members. We were entertained by Simon from Peter Beales' Roses with a demonstration on festive wreaths. Tea was served by the committee.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th December at 12 noon in the Village Hall. This will be the last meeting of the year and our Christmas lunch.

Christine Wilby

All Things Conservation

Firstly, I would like to thank all the volunteers who turned up on Saturday 12th to work on the churchyard. Great progress was made clearing the corner of rubbish and weeds and filling the skip. And sterling work by the gang clearing brambles and vegetation along the south wall. Not to be forgotten a big thanks to the team providing refreshments (including excellent bacon rolls). This was a start, we need another working party in the spring so all of those of you unable to make it on Saturday you are welcome to join us at the next event. Watch this space for dates.

At the last November Parish Council, I proposed that the village should consider setting up a community woodland. This would be a wonderful opportunity and exciting project to make a real difference, to do our bit towards reducing to climate change, provide a wildlife habitat, and an enjoyable recreation asset for the village. The Parish Council would like to set up a small working group to look at potential sites, funding opportunities, and management. Please contact me if you would like to be on the working group.

Andrew Bingham (Parish Councillor + Vice Chair) andrew.bingham100@gmail.com 07702 119318

St Martin's Church Services - December 2022

Sun 4th	10am	Group Service at Old Buckenham	Advent 2
Sun 11th	6:30pm	Nine Readings and Carols with refreshments to follow	Advent 3
Sun 18th	11am	Holy Communion	Advent 4
Sat 24th	9:30pm	Christmas Eve Communion	Christmas Eve
Sun 25th	11am	Family Service round the Crib	Christmas Day

St Martin's Church Services – January 2023

Sun 1st	10am	Group Service at Wilby	Naming and Circumcision of Christ
Sun 8th	4:30pm	Sung Evensong	Epiphany Baptism of Christ
Sun 15th	11am	Holy Communion	2nd Sunday of Epiphany
Sun 22th	11am	Morning Worship	3rd Sunday of Epiphany
Sun 29th	10am	Group Service at Banham	Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas) or 4th Sunday of Epiphany

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Thank you for your continued support of the Village Hall. Here are the lucky winners for the latest draw.

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£20	Carolyn Hupton, Judy Harrison, Karen Bird, Sarah Rhoden
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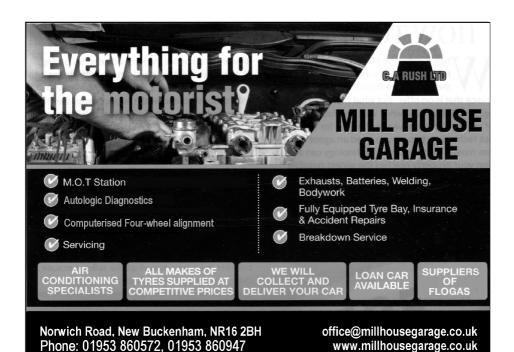


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Thurs 1st until Sat 3rd Dec	Pantomime, Village Hall, 8pm (and 2pm Sat matinee)		
Thurs 1st Dec	Silver Band Open Rehearsal, St Martin's, 8pm		
Sat 3rd Dec	Coffeemates!, St Martin's, 10:30am until 12:00pm		
Weds 7th Dec	Good Companions, Village Hall, 2:30pm		
Sat 10th Dec	Children's Garden (volunteers for ground preparation), Village Hall, 10am		
Tues 13th Dec	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7:30pm		
Tues 20th Dec	Carols, St Martin's Church (lantern procession to the Market Cross), 5:45pm		
Sat 24th Dec	Christmas Eve Communion, St Martin's, 9:30pm		
Sun 25th Dec	Family Christmas Service, St Martin's, 11am		
Sun 1st Jan	Hair of the Dog Walk, Market Cross, 11am		
Tues 10th Jan	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7:30pm		